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1)[🛛	Responsive to communication(s) filed	on 28 Au	gust 2003.						
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3)	Since this application is in condition for	or allowand	ce except for formal mat	ers, prosecution as to th	e merits is				
	closed in accordance with the practice under <i>Ex parte Quayle</i> , 1935 C.D. 11, 453 O.G. 213.								
Dispositi	on of Claims								
4)⊠	Claim(s) 1-24 is/are pending in the ap	plication.							
	4a) Of the above claim(s) is/are withdrawn from consideration.								
5)	Claim(s) is/are allowed.								
6)□	Claim(s) is/are rejected.								
7)	Claim(s) is/are objected to.								
8)⊠	Claim(s) <u>1-24</u> are subject to restriction	n and/or ele	ection requirement.						
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9)[The specification is objected to by the	Examiner.							
10)	10) ☐ The drawing(s) filed on is/are: a) ☐ accepted or b) ☐ objected to by the Examiner.								
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Priority u	inder 35 U.S.C. § 119								
	12) Acknowledgment is made of a claim for foreign priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a)-(d) or (f).								
a)[a) ☐ All b) ☐ Some * c) ☐ None of:								
	1. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received.								
	2. Certified copies of the priority documents have been received in Application No								
	3. Copies of the certified copies of the priority documents have been received in this National Stage application from the International Bureau (PCT Rule 17.2(a)).								
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DETAILED ACTION

1. This communication is responsive to the application filed 08/28/2003.

Election/Restriction

2. This application contains claims directed to the following patentably distinct species of the claimed invention:

I. Claims 1-5 and 12-20, drawn to the structures/structural elements of a

multifunction transducer;

II. Claims 6-11, drawn to the structures/structural elements of a transducer;

III. Claims 21-24, drawn to the structures/structural elements of a portable electronic

apparatus.

Applicant is required under 35 U.S.C. 121 to elect a single disclosed species for

prosecution on the merits to which the claims shall be restricted if no generic claim is finally

held to be allowable. Currently, no group is generic.

Applicant is advised that a reply to this requirement must include an identification of the

species that is elected consonant with this requirement, and a listing of all claims readable

thereon, including any claims subsequently added. An argument that a claim is allowable or that

all claims are generic is considered nonresponsive unless accompanied by an election.

Should applicant traverse on the ground that the species are not patentably distinct,

applicant should submit evidence or identify such evidence now of record showing the species to

be obvious variants or clearly admit on the record that this is the case. In either instance, if the

examiner finds one of the inventions unpatentable over the prior art, the evidence or admission

may be used in a rejection under 35 U.S.C. 103(a) of the other invention.

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3. Applicants are advised that the reply to this requirement to be complete must include an

election of the invention to be examined even though the requirement is traversed (37

CFR 1.143).

Conclusion

4. Any inquiry concerning this communication or earlier communications from the

examiner should be directed to Suhan Ni whose telephone number is (571)-272-7505, and the

number for fax machine is (571)-273-7505. The examiner can normally be reached on Monday

through Thursday from 10:00 am to 8:00 pm. If it is necessary, the examiner's supervisor, Sinh

N. Tran, can be reached at (571)-272-7564.

5. Information regarding the status of an application may be obtained from the Patent

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6. Any inquiry of a general nature or relating to the status of this application or proceeding

should be directed to the group receptionist whose telephone number is (571)-272-2600, or

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